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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

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Claim . (currently amended). An electronic apparatus comprising:

image pickup means for photographing an object and outputting an image signal;

memory control means for allowing said image signal to be stored into image

memory means;

control means decides that the photographing is impossible because a remaining amount of said image memory means is smaller than a predetermined value; and

communicating means for automatically transmitting the image signal stored in said image memory means when a predetermined condition is satisfied so as to enable a new image signal to be stored into said image memory means.

Claim 2. (original). An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising image selecting means for selecting an image signal from said image memory means on the basis of a predetermined selecting condition, and

wherein said communicating means transmits said selected image signal.

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Claim 3 (original). An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said predetermined selecting condition is a condition to select an old one of said stored image signals, and

further comprising managing means for managing photographing times of said image signals for the purpose of said condition.

Claim 4. (original). An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said predetermined selecting condition is a condition to select an image signal in which an accessing frequency is small from said stored image signals, and

further comprising managing means for managing accessing frequencies of said image signals.

Claim 5. (original). An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said predetermined selecting condition is a condition to select an image signal in which the number of colors is small from said stored image signals, and

further comprising managing means for managing the numbers of colors of said image signals.

Claim 6. (original). An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said predetermined selecting condition is a condition to select an image signal in which the number of colors is large from said stored image signals, and

further comprising managing means for managing the numbers of colors of said image signals.

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Claim 7. (original). An apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising marking means for adding a mark to the image signal which is outputted from said image pickup means, and

wherein said predetermined selecting condition relates o the presence or absence of said marking.

Claim 8. (original). An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said communicating means is wireless communicating means.

Claim 9. (currently amended). An image processing method comprising the steps of: storing a photographed image signal into image memory means;

automatically selecting an image signal when a photographing is impossible

because a remaining amount of said image memory means is smaller than a predetermined value;

and

automatically transmitting the image signal stored in said image memory means so as to enable a new image signal to be stored into said image memory means.

Claim 10. (currently amended). A computer readable recording medium in which a program to execute a procedure by the computer has been recorded, wherein said procedure comprises the steps of:

storing a photographed image signal into image memory means;

automatically selecting an image signal when a photographing is impossible

because a remaining amount of said image memory means is smaller than a predetermined value;

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automatically transmitting the image signal stored in said image memory means so as to enable a new image signal to be stored into said image memory means.

Claims 11-29. (cancelled).

Claim 30. (currently amended). A computer readable recording medium in which a program to execute by the computer has been recorded, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

storing an image signal photographed by image pickup means into image memory

means;

detecting a remaining amount of said image memory means;

discriminating whether the photographing by said image pickup means can be performed or not on the basis of said detected remaining amount;

automatically selecting an image signal on the basis of a predetermined selecting condition from said image memory means when a result of said discrimination indicates that the photographing is impossible; and

transmitting said selected image signal.

Claim 31. (currently amended). A computer readable recording medium in which a program to execute by the computer has been recorded, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

storing an image signal photographed by image pickup means into image memory

means;

detecting a remaining amount of said image memory means;

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discriminating whether the photographing by said image pickup means can be performed or not on the basis of said detected remaining amount;

automatically selecting an image signal on the basis of a predetermined selecting condition from said image memory means when a result of said discrimination indicates that the photographing is impossible; and

processing said selected image signal and supplying the processed image signal to said image memory means.

Claim 32. (currently amended). A computer readable recording medium in which data including a program to be executed by the computer has been recorded, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

storing a photograph mode of a photographing apparatus and;storing a size of image which is photographed in said photograph mode

has been recorded; and

discriminating the image based on whether the size of image is large or

small.